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REMARKS

Present Status of the Application

The Office Action considers the present invention including distinct two groups I and II while Group I further includes distinct two species I (FIGs. 8-9) and species II (FIGs. 10-11). The Office Action requests Election/Restrictions. Applicants have elected species I of group I, corresponding to FIGs. 8-9 for claims 9, 12-15 and 18-19. Claims remain pending in the present application, and reconsideration of those claims is respectfully requested.

Discussion of Election

It is believed that the distinct features between FIGs. 8-9 and FIGs. 10-11 can be based on the different structure of the stiffener. In FIGs. 8-9, the stiffener 250 has an opening to expose the chip. In FIGs. 10-11, the stiffener 350 has no opening to expose the chip.

Independent claims 9 and 14 have already recited the features under species I of group I. The dependent claims 12-13, 15 and 18-19 are the additional features under species I of group I. In this situation of electing species I of group I, there is no further claim needed to be currently withdrawn.

For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 9, 12-15 and 18-19 for examination.

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